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for allowance, specifically, Claims 12-16 and 34-38 which were also rejected over the Rosenthal et al. '864 Application.

For the reasons stated above, Applicant believes that the present Application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully urges the allowance of the claims presented with the entry of this Amendment. If the Examiner believes that there are additional issues to be addressed that may be resolved through a telephone interview, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number provided below.

This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition extending the time for response to and including November 15, 2003. It is believed that a fee of \$110.00 due with the Petition and that a fee of \$408 is due for the submission of six extra independent claims beyond the three independent claims for which a fee previously had been paid. The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge these fees to Deposit Account No. 501402. If any additional fees are due, including extension and petition fees, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 501402.

Respectfully Submitted,



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